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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM ROGERS

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: FOLLOW-UP TO SECRETARY'S TRIP

1. THE FOLLOWING ARE U.S. POSITIONS COMPILED FROM STATEMENTS OF THE SECRETARY DURING HIS BILATERAL MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER MONTIEL. WE WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING WHETHER YOU HAVE ADDITIONS OR CHANGES FOR THE LIST FROM YOUR OWN NOTES OR RECOLLECTIONS.

---A. GSP AND CENTRAL AMERICAN COMMON MARKET: AT REQUEST OF MONTIEL, SECRETARY SAID WE WOULD EXAMINE POSSIBILITY OF HAVING TRADE BILL MODIFIED TO ELIMINATE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST MULTI-COUNTRY PRODUCTS.

---B. SECRETARY STATED HE WOULD FAVOR IN PRINCIPLE HELPING NICARAGUA WITH ITS BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DEFICIT BY ASSISTING IN THE INCREASE OF NICARAGUAN EXPORTS TO THE U.S.

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2. THE BUREAU HAS ALREADY BEGUN TO FOLLOW-UP. THE FIRST

STEP WAS COMPILING THE INVENTORY OF POSITIONS. WE ARE NOW ORGANIZING TO FOLLOW THROUGH ON EACH ONE. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ADVICE WHERE YOU THINK APPROPRIATE ON IMPLEMENTATION.

3. THE SECRETARY TESTIFIED TO THE HIRC TODAY ABOUT HIS TRIP. WE WILL CABLE YOU HIS STATEMENT TO THE COMMITTEE. KISSINGER

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